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Charges Approved In Brittany Russell Homicide

State v. Curtis Burdette, 2016-CR-0745

DAYTON, OH (03/04/2016) – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that 37 year old **Curtis Howard Burdette**, of Dayton, has been charged for the shooting death of Brittany Russell.

On Wednesday, February 10, 2016 the body of the victim, 29 year old Brittany Russell, of Middletown, was found inside her car in an apartment parking lot in Dayton. She had been fatally shot. Her 6-month-old daughter, who was alive, was also inside the vehicle.

Today, the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office has approved formal charges of:

- One count Aggravated Murder (prior calculation and design)
- One count Murder (purposeful)
- Two counts Murder (while committing felonious assault)
- Two counts Felonious Assault
- One count Having Weapons While Under Disability (prior offense of violence)
- One count Endangering Children

All of the counts, except for having weapons while under disability and endangering children, have three-year firearm specifications attached.

The defendant is currently in custody in the Montgomery County Jail on an unrelated drug charge. The case is ongoing and remains under investigation.

The case will be presented to the Montgomery County Grand Jury at a future date.

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